

City Council Rooms

~~Council~~ of El Paso Nov 2^d 1873

City Council met at 7 P.M. Present

Hon Mr B.S. Dowell Mayor, Aldermen, Blacker
 Evans, Jones, Hornick and Tays. Absent
 Alderman Tays and Marsh,

November 3rd

City Council Rooms

~~El Paso Oct 2^d 1873~~

A called meeting of the City Council was held on the above date for general business present Aldermen Blacker, Evans Hornick Jones - and Tays. Absent Alderman Marsh. On Motion of Alderman Blacker two standing Committees, one on Finance, and one on Rules were appointed, on Finance M.A. Jones, Evans, Tays, on Rules Blacker, Hornick Marsh.

Alderman Tays offered the following which was adopted, Resolved, that the regular meetings of the City Council shall be held on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month at 7 o'clock P.M.,

On Motion the Council proceeded to the election of a City Treasurer,

The ballot stood I Schutz 5 votes. 105

I Schutz having received a majority of the votes cast was declared Elected City Treasurer. On motion the Council proceeded to the election of Water Commissioner, the vote resulted as follows, R.H. French 5 votes - and he was declared Elected. On motion the Council proceeded to the election of a City Clerk, A. J. Fountain having received four votes a majority of all cast, was declared Elected City Clerk, and took the oath of office. I Butschopsky then came forward and was sworn in as City Assessor and Collector.

The following Ordinance was offered by the Alderman Tays. That section one of an Ordinance to levy and collect a tax on all the real Estate within the city limits of the City of El Paso for Acremias and other purposes be amended so as to hereafter read as follows -

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of El Paso that a tax of one fourth of one per cent be assessed and collected on all real Estate in the City of El Paso for the purpose of improving the acremias and ~~and~~ repairing the bridges

across the same.
which was passed.

The Board then adjourned, until ^{Monday}
Nov 8th at 7 P.M.

A. J. Forman City Clerk.

Hall of City Council of the City of El Paso
Saturday November 8th 1873.

[November 8th 1873]

The Council met pursuant to adjournment to
adjournment. Present his Honor the Mayor.

Aldermen	Absent - Aldermen
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Blacker,	Pays.
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Evans	Marsch.
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Keeneck	- Present, City Attorney Forman.
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Jones. The Journal of preceding meeting was
read and approved. Alderman Blacker submitted the following report
of the Committee on Rules.

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Nov 8th 1873

To his Honor B. S. Dowell

Mayor of the City of El Paso,

was referred Your Committee on Rules to whom
was referred the matter of preparing a set
of rules for the Government of this Hon body,
beg leave to report progress, and request
further time to complete their Report,

Respectfully
Sgd - A Blacker for Committee.

Report of Committee on Rules

Rule No - The Order of Business at all meetings of the City Council shall be as follows,

- 1st Calling of the Roll.
- 2nd Reading of minutes of preceding meeting.
- 3rd Presentation of Petitions and Memorials.
- 4th Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions
- 5th Miscellaneous business.

Rule - Upon the final motion to adopt any Resolution or Ordinance, or the granting of any petition, it shall be competent for any member to demand the ayes and noes, whereupon the Presiding Officer shall direct the Clerk to call the roll, and each member present shall upon his name being called, vote aye or no on the pending motion.

Rule - On all motions requiring a two third vote to adopt, the presiding officer shall without the motion of any member, direct the ayes and noes to be taken.

Rule - Barley's digest of parliamentary law shall be the authority to govern all questions of order and debate.

Sgd A Blacker
A Hornbeck

for Committee?

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On motion the report of the Committee was adopted.
 Alderman Blacker presented the petition of
 Mr. Pays and others for permission to improve
 the public Square, the petition was granted, and
 the City Attorney instructed to prepare an
 Ordinance to cover the case.

The following Resolution was introduced by
 Alderman Blacker and adopted.

Resolved, that a Committee of one
 Alderman from each Ward be appointed
 as a Committee on Public Grounds, Said
 Committee to have charge of and supervi-
 tance over all public Grounds.

The Mayor appointed on the Committee.

Alderman Jones 1st Ward

" Blacker 2nd "

" Evans 3rd "

The Council then involved itself into a board
 of equalization for the purpose of equalizing
 the assessment list.

Alderman Jones moved to increase the valuation
 of the property of F.W. Price to \$3000, Alderman Jones
 moved to strike out ~~\$3000~~ and insert \$3000,
 the Ayes and Noes were demanded and were
 as follows In the affirmative Aldermen Jones,
 and Henwick, In the negative Blacker & Evans,
 there being a tie vote, the Mayor voted in

the negative and the amendment was lost - the question reverting to the original motion the ayes and noes were called, and the vote stood
 No ~~Ayes~~ - Alderman Blacker, Evans, Horneck
 Aye ~~No~~ - ^{Blacker} Jones

Alderman ~~Jones~~^{Blacker} moved to raise the valuation of the property of R.E. Doyle to \$3000, Alderman ^{Jones} moved to amend by inserting \$5000. Ayes and noes called on Amendment -

Aye Alderman Jones,

No " Blacker, Evans, Horneck,
 so the amendment was lost.

The question recurring on the original motion
~~they~~ ayes and noes were called and resulted as follows

Ayes Alderman Blacker, Evans, Horneck, Jones.
 No — —

so the motion was adopted, Ayes and noes
 On the question to raise the valuation of
 S. Hertz property 1600,

Ayes	-	No
Evans, Jones		Blacker, Horneck

There being a tie vote the mayor gave
 the casting vote in the affirmative
 By the same vote the valuation of the property
 of A Horneck was increased \$1000. A
 motion was adopted to proceed to the election

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of a Mayor pro tem to act in the absence
of the Mayor. A vote was taken by
ballot and resulted in the unanimous
election of Alderman Horneck.

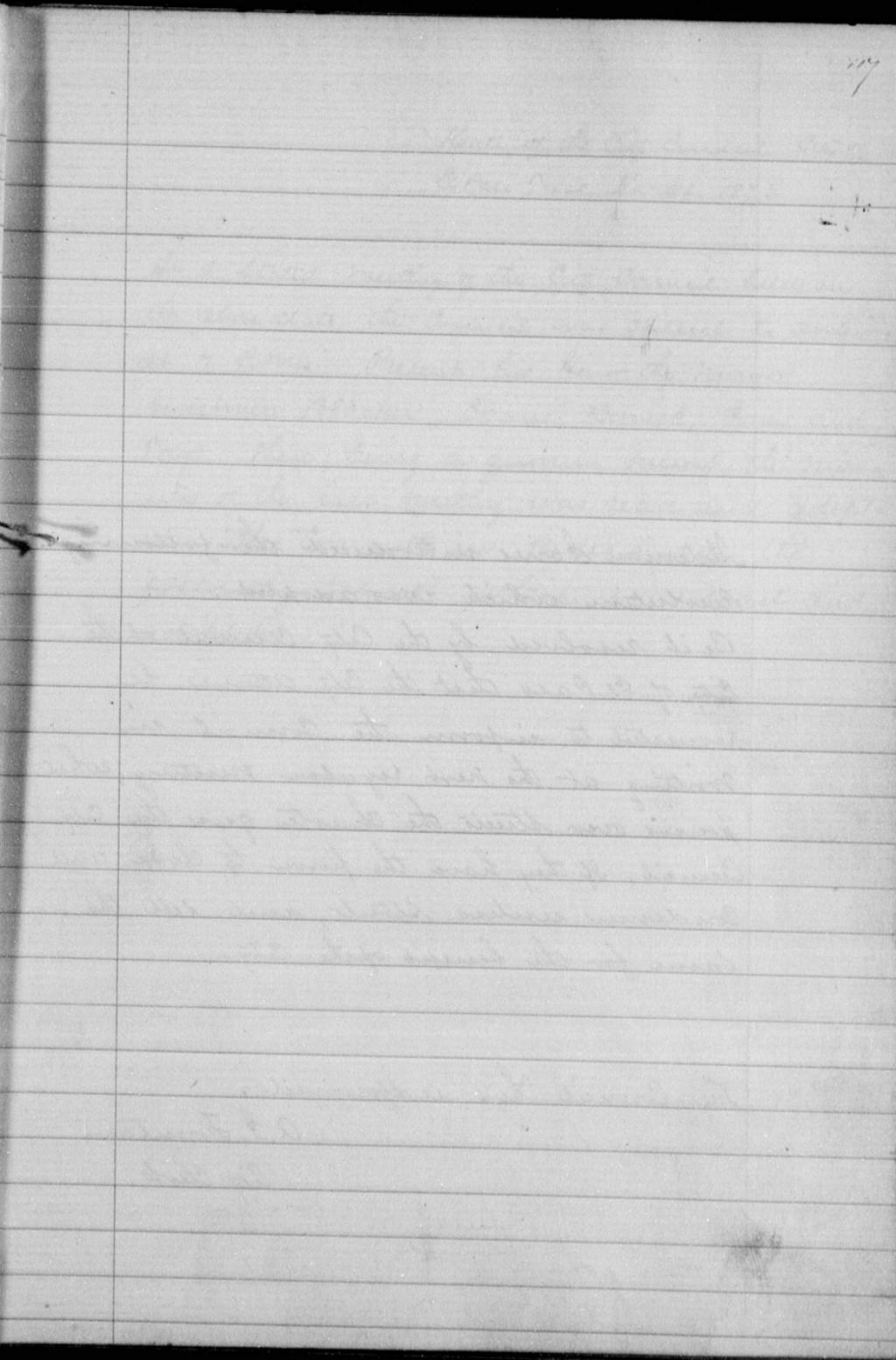
The Board then adjourned. To meet

A. B. Fontaine
City Clerk.

Hall City Council, November 11th 1873

At a called meeting of the City Council held
on the above date, the Council was called
to order at 7 P.M. by His Honor the Mayor.
Present - The Mayor - Aldermen Blacker, Tays,
Evans, Horneck, Jones and Tays, absent
Alderman Marsh - Present City Attorney, Fontaine.
Alderman Jones stated that the meeting had been
called on his suggestion for the purpose of consider-
ing certain ordinances regarding the assessment
and collection of taxes. The City Attorney being
called upon to submit an ordinance to cover
the case, presented the following which were
read and adopted, and approved by
His Honor the Mayor,

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Alderman Jones introduced the following Resolution which was adopted.

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of El Paso that the City attorney be requested to inform the Council in writing at the next regular meeting, what powers over streets the charter gives the City Council, if they have the power to close and condemn useless streets, and sell the same for the benefit of the City.

The Council then adjourned.

A. F. Fontanari
City Clerk.

Hall of the City Council, City of
El Paso Texas, Nov 22, 1873

At a stated meeting of the City Council held on
the above date, the Council was called to order
at 7 P.M. Present his Honor the Mayor
Aldermen Blacker, Evans, Horneck, Jones and
Pays. There being a quorum present, the min-
utes of the last meeting was read and adopt-
ed. The Committee on Rules made the
following report which was read and
adopted.

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The following Ordinance in regard to weights and measures was read and adopted.

The Finance Committee made the following report which was read and adopted.

The following Ordinance was read and adopted.

The City Attorney submitted the following Opinion which was read and such additional time as he might require was given to submit one or further views, in regard to the matter.

The resignation of W.M. Ford City Marshal was received and accepted, a motion prevailed to proceed to the election of a City Marshal to fill the vacancy and G.W. Rand having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared to be duly elected.

There being no further business, an motion the Council adjourned -

A.S. Fountain
City Clerk,

